





Annual Report

OF THE

TOWN OF ALTON

FOR THE

YEAR ENDING FEBRUARY 15th,

1902.

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REPORTS

OF THE

SELECTMEN, TREASURER, CLERK AND
..... SCHOOL BOARD

OF THE

-Town of Alton,-

FOR THE

YEAR ENDING FEB. 15,

1902.

TOWN OFFICERS.

SELECTMEN.

HERBERT J. JONES,

JOHN W. PROCTOR.

LEWIS H. LAMPREY,

TOWN CLERK.

AUGUSTUS B. CURRIER.

TREASURER.

ALONZO S. FRENCH.

COLLECTOR OF TAXES.

CHARLES H. McDUFFEE.

AUDITORS.

WILLIS P. EMERSON,

CHARLES H. DOWNING.

SUPERVISORS.

FRANK W. MUZZEY,

JOHN G. GERRISH.

SCHOOL BOARD.

CHARLES H. McDUFFEE,

VELZORA A. DEALAND,

CHARLES H. DOWNING.

FIRE WARDS.

JOHN M. BENNETT,

CHARLES H. W. JONES,

MOSES W. TWOMBLY.

BOARD OF HEALTH.

ALONZO P. HORNE,

WILLIE E. SANBORN,

S. WALDO BROWN.

POLICE.

FRANK GILSON.

CONSTABLE.

GEORGE W. PLACE.

Selectmen's Report.

VALUATION OF ALTON.

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| Real estate, number of acres, 35,605 ; value, | \$493,393 00 |
| Personal estate, including polls, | 127,901 00 |
| Total value, | <u>\$621,294 00</u> |

| | No. | Average. | |
|--|-----|----------|-----------------|
| Polls, | 382 | \$100 00 | \$38,200 00 |
| Horses, | 394 | 50 05 | 19,720 00 |
| Oxen, | 38 | 45 53 | 1,730 00 |
| Cows, | 556 | 21 48 | 11,946 00 |
| Neat Stock, | 235 | 15 32 | 3,603 00 |
| Sheep, | 300 | 3 50 | 1,051 00 |
| Fowls, | 125 | 40 | 50 00 |
| Carriages, | 20 | 66 75 | 1,335 00 |
| Stock in public funds, | | | 1,000 00 |
| Stock in banks and other corporations, | | | 1,700 00 |
| Stock in trade, | | | 20,486 00 |
| Aqueducts, | | | 12,000 00 |
| Mills and machinery, | | | 13,800 00 |
| Buildings not designated, | | | <u>1,280 00</u> |

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| Total amount of taxes raised, | <u>\$127,901 00</u> |
| | <u>\$13,544 20</u> |
| State tax, | \$1,139 00 |
| County tax, | 1,926 20 |
| School tax, | 2,740 00 |
| Highway tax, | 2,353 23 |
| Firemen's tax, | 90 00 |
| Library tax, | 190 40 |

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| Town tax, | \$4,575 00 | |
| Percentage, | 530 37 | |
| | <hr/> | \$13,544 20 |
| Tax on poll, \$2 18. | | |

RECEIPTS.

| | |
|---|-------------|
| Amount of taxes charged to the collector, | \$13,544 20 |
| Cash in treasury, Feb. 15, 1901, | \$ 865 32 |
| Due from collector for 1897 tax, | 1,587 72 |
| “ “ “ “ 1898 “ | 56 78 |
| “ “ “ “ 1900 “ | 703 91 |
| Received of H. J. Jones, for county of Belknap, | 104 68 |
| “ “ hall rent, | 18 00 |
| “ “ Francis Flanders, | |
| tax and interest, '99, | 10 00 |
| A. B. Currier, dog license, | 70 80 |
| H. J. Jones, from Belknap Co., | 155 27 |
| “ for note, | 400 00 |
| “ hall rent, | 6 00 |
| “ Carrie B. Nute fund, | 150 00 |
| “ from Belknap Co., | 151 45 |
| “ hall rent, | 3 00 |
| A. B. Currier, dog license, | 109 78 |
| H. J. Jones, hall rent, | 2 00 |
| “ Geo. H. Seward tax | |
| and interest, 1899, | 30 19 |
| H. J. Jones, railroad tax, | 847 75 |
| “ literary fund, | 124 44 |
| “ saving bank tax, | 664 90 |
| “ school fund, | 300 00 |
| C. H. McDuffee, interest, | 34 92 |
| H. J. Jones, A. E. Perkins, tax | |
| and interest, 1900, | 1 03 |

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| Received of H. J. Jones, from Belknap Co., | \$143 66 | |
| A. B. Currier, dog license, | 26 60 | \$6,568 20 |
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| | | \$20,112 40 |

EXPENDITURES.

MISCELLANEOUS BILLS.

| | |
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| Paid Farmington News, printing town reports, | \$ 38 00 |
| " " " ballots, | 5 50 |
| Clarence Horne, sawing wood, | 1 00 |
| F. R. Wadleigh, note, | 839 66 |
| " " interest, | 46 34 |
| C. H. Davis, order and collector's book, | 3 50 |
| Ida E. Wells, water tub, 1900, | 3 00 |
| C. A. Bennett, repairs on hall, | 3 82 |
| F. W. Gray, labor and tools, | 4 61 |
| Mary A. C. Evans, interest, | 15 00 |
| Geo. H. Demeritt, library, | 190 40 |
| E. R. Wright, quarantine, | 11 00 |
| Abbie M. Dore, water tub, 1900, | 3 00 |
| F. M. Ayer, services as janitor, | 17 63 |
| C. E. Fifield, memorial appropriation, | 25 00 |
| Sadie A. Currier, librarian, | 15 00 |
| C. H. McDuffee, school money, | 600 00 |
| " " " supplies, | 146 36 |
| Alma E. Bennett, interest on note, | 30 00 |
| L. M. & H. M. Pike, concrete, | 17 14 |
| The Downing Co., drain pipe, | 130 70 |
| Mary A. C. Evans, note, | 500 00 |
| " " interest, | 7 58 |
| Geo. W. Place, Woodman's bridge, | 50 00 |
| L. B. Place, bridge and plank, | 29 74 |
| Sadie A. Currier, librarian, | 15 00 |
| Henry H. Emerson, painting tool house, | 13 50 |

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| Paid Paul E. Buckley, repairing furnaces, | \$21 03 |
| W. E. Sanborn, labor and tools, | 12 00 |
| The J.H.Downing Co.,supplies for Hose Co.,No. 2, | 8 05 |
| The Downing Co., drain pipe, | 4 76 |
| John W. Evans, repairs on lobby, | 1 00 |
| J. Jones & Son, coal, gasolene, etc., | 115 17 |
| Alton & Alton Bay Water Co., hydrants, | 500 00 |
| C. H. McDuffee, school money, | 1,500 00 |
| S. W. Brown, tramps, | 90 |
| Dr. John Young, births and deaths, | 1 25 |
| Dr. E. R. Wright, " " | 4 25 |
| Thomas Nute, dog damage, 1900, | 9 00 |
| A. W. Young, " " | 12 00 |
| Stephen Shagnon, " " | 6 00 |
| C. E. Hodgdon, " " | 12 00 |
| John C. Young, " " | 27 00 |
| Marilla Straw, water tub, 1901, | 3 00 |
| Geo. E. Fitten, land damage, | 150 00 |
| P. H. Wheeler, births and deaths, | 14 50 |
| O. Duncan, repairs, | 4 85 |
| State tax, | 1,139 00 |
| County tax, | 1,926 20 |
| Hose Co. No. 1, | 36 00 |
| J. W. Howard, water tub, 1901, | 3 00 |
| Forrest H. Rollins, water tub, 1899, 1900, 1901, | 9 00 |
| John W. Proctor, wood hall, | 4 00 |
| D. H. Morrison, water tub, 1901, | 3 00 |
| Jones & Lamprey, quarantine, | 3 66 |
| Frank Gilson, tramps, | 3 00 |
| " " collecting dog license, | 2 35 |
| Alton & Alton Bay Water Co., hydrants, | 280 00 |
| " " " " " hall, | 19 00 |
| H. J. Jones, insurance, | 100 00 |
| Emily O. Emerson, notes, | 225 52 |

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| Paid Emily O. Emerson, interest, | \$ 12 92 |
| C. H. McDuffee, school money, | 1,298 10 |
| “ “ “ supplies, | 44 18 |
| “ “ “ “ | 12 60 |
| H. J. Jones, recording inventory, | 15 00 |
| “ “ care of order book, | 5 00 |
| “ “ expenses, | 4 40 |
| Hose Co. No. 2, | 39 25 |
| G. W. Place, care of tramps, | 17 00 |
| “ “ bridge plank, | 13 40 |
| “ “ wood and coal, | 15 85 |
| L. G. Welch, care of clock, | 15 00 |
| S. C. Wentworth, plank and stone, | 15 80 |
| E. H. Rollins, plank, 1900-1901, | 150 26 |
| W. P. Emerson, for Hose No. 2, | 2 00 |
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| | \$10,583 73 |

PAUPERS.

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| Paid George E. Nute, aid to Rosilla Blakely, county, | \$ 3.75 |
| William H. Morrill, aid to Mrs. Brown, “ | 33 00 |
| John H. Evans, aid to Charles Babb, “ | 16 00 |
| James W. Goodall, aid to Sarah Rand, “ | 15 50 |
| J. Jones & Son, aid to Clark Perkins, “ | 63 31 |
| “ “ Rosilla Blakely, “ | 6 92 |
| “ “ Sarah Rand, “ | 2 30 |
| “ “ Charles Babb, “ | 3 00 |
| “ “ Frank Clark, “ | 9 66 |
| Demeritt, Varney & Doane aid to Paul Hardwood, “ | 8 88 |
| George W. Place, aid to Rosilla Blakely, “ | 24 38 |
| “ “ Paul Hardwood, “ | 2 00 |

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| Paid Jones & Lamprey, aid to Paul Hardwood, county | \$ 2 52 |
| Etta M. Hayes, aid to Mrs. Brown, " | 43 50 |
| J. Jones & Son, aid to Clarence Andrews, " | 4 31 |
| " " Paul Hardwood, " | 2 65 |
| P. H. Wheeler, aid to Moses Young, town, | 19 75 |
| " " Grace Hayes, town, | 5 00 |
| J. Jones & Son, aid to Moses Young, town, | 1 20 |
| " " " C. E. Young, county, | 45 |
| Peterson & McDuffee, aid to Paul Hardwood, county, | 2 00 |
| Jones & Lamprey, aid to John Ellis, county, | 2 00 |
| " " " Charles Babb, county, | 50 |
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| | \$272 58 |

DEPENDENT SOLDIERS AND FAMILIES.

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|----------------------------|----------|
| Paid Cora B. King, county, | \$96 00 |
| Jona. F. Smith, " | 3 50 |
| E. R. Wright, " | 2 75 |
| The J. H. Downing Co., " | 90 00 |
| W. P. Emerson, " | 45 00 |
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| | \$237 25 |

TOWN OFFICERS.

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| Paid C. H. Davis, selectman, 1900, | \$ 3 00 |
| F. W. Muzzey, supervisor, | 7 00 |
| J. D. Wilder, " | 7 00 |
| O. E. Davis, " | 7 00 |
| W. E. Sanborn, board of health, | 7 50 |
| F. H. Downing, inspector, | 2 00 |

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| S. W. Brown, police, | \$ 2 00 |
| A. P. Horne, board of health, | 4 00 |
| Frank Gilson, police, | 4 00 |
| Lewis P. Varney, inspector 1898, '99, '00, '01, | 10 00 |
| C. H. McDuffee, inspector 1898, '99, '00, 01, | 10 00 |
| H. J. Jones, selectman, | 70 00 |
| H. J. Jones, acting overseer poor, | 15 00 |
| John W. Proctor, selectman, | 54 00 |
| Lewis H. Lamprey, | 60 00 |
| A. S. French, treasurer, | 50 00 |
| G. W. Placc, constable, | 8 00 |
| C. L. Pinkham, tree warden, | 5 00 |
| W. C. Varney, town clerk, 1900, | 10 00 |
| A. B. Currier, town clerk, 1901, | 67 70 |
| C. H. McDuffee, school board, | 20 00 |
| C. H. McDuffee, treasurer school board, | 5 00 |
| C. H. Downing, school board, | 20 00 |
| Velzora A. Dealand, school board, | 20 00 |
| W. P. Emerson, auditor, | 2 00 |
| C. H. Downing, auditor, | 2 00 |
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| | \$472 20 |

WINTER WORK ON HIGHWAY, 1900, 1901.

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|------------------------|---------|
| Alison E. Rines, | \$ 3 30 |
| Charles C. Rines, | 7 35 |
| Charles Palmer, | 10 35 |
| Henry G. Hayes, | 1 80 |
| Edward Walker, | 5 55 |
| Charles W. Whitehouse, | 18 45 |
| Edson Roberts, | 15 75 |
| Herbert Morrill, | 2 40 |

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| Stephen Shagnon, | \$ 3 12 |
| Edwin Shagnon, | 1 95 |
| Leander Shagnon, | 3 07 |
| George W. Rollins, | 9 25 |
| Sumner Cotton, | 9 81 |
| John Berry, | 6 48 |
| Alonzo Berry, | 7 20 |
| John N. Avery, | 2 10 |
| R. B. Hurd, | 18 92 |
| T. B. Lovett, | 4 35 |
| E. G. Rollins, | 50 28 |
| John Evans, | 90 |
| J. Q. Adams, | 2 10 |
| Ezekiel Hayes, | 1 84 |
| William Hayes, | 2 48 |
| Frank Whitehouse, | 3 52 |
| H. C. Young, | 23 |
| Herbert Ricker, | 60 |
| C. C. Mooney, | 1 35 |
| Percy H. Walker, | 13 08 |
| O. W. Bowman, | 2 10 |
| J. L. Rollins, | 3 78 |
| R. A. Frohock, | 3 61 |
| E. B. Whitehouse, | 5 18 |
| Charles Varney, | 41 13 |
| C. E. Hodgdon, | 10 89 |
| A. D. Varney, | 7 43 |
| Seth C. Walker, | 1 50 |
| C. A. Twombly, | 2 73 |
| A. S. Brooks, | 45 |
| I. W. Mitchell, | 8 33 |
| Geo. W. Place, | 31 25 |
| C. V. Coffin, | 3 20 |
| Geo. H. Fifield, | 75 |

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|------------------------|---------|
| Hadley F. Gilman, | \$ 2 00 |
| McDuffee & Peterson, | 8 45 |
| Willis H Reynolds, | 5 27 |
| C. H. W. Jones, | 25 96 |
| Chas. E. Fifield, | 3 52 |
| H. Reynolds, | 1 35 |
| Smith A. Willand, | 1 50 |
| Samuel Stockbridge, | 60 |
| Charles H. Jones, | 45 |
| C. H. Downing, | 18 51 |
| C. A. Barr, | 3 00 |
| Dana B. Morse, | 6 12 |
| Alfred G. Ellis, | 19 64 |
| David Lamper, | 13 62 |
| Elbridge G. Ellis, | 75 |
| H. A. Ellis, | 3 00 |
| Albert D. Morse, | 8 70 |
| Oscar E. Davis, | 7 90 |
| Mrs. Benj. L. Frohock, | 2 27 |
| Henry P. Ellis, | 3 75 |
| Luther B. Place, | 21 37 |
| Ira B. Gilman, | 7 70 |
| Stephen H. Flanders, | 1 35 |
| John Weeks, | 2 25 |
| Moses W. Flanders, | 1 60 |
| Harry Flanders, | 3 24 |
| Chas. P. Hayes, | 2 40 |
| Frank D. Morse, | 10 65 |
| H. S. Emerson, | 4 84 |
| F. H. Emerson, | 2 25 |
| Geo. A. Rollins, | 6 30 |
| F. H. Rollins, | 9 18 |
| A. J. Gilman, | 13 17 |
| W. S. Watson, | 3 80 |

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| John G. W. Jones, | \$ 7 87 |
| Calvin Rollins, | 18 15 |
| S. E. Rollins, | 6 90 |
| W. H. Rollins, | 1 95 |
| S. E. Grant, | 8 25 |
| C. F. Hatch, | 1 35 |
| E. S. Bachelder, | 67 |
| H. B. Ricker, | 12 82 |
| C. W. Rollins, | 1 05 |
| S. E. P. Gilman, | 5 10 |
| L. G. Page, | 30 |
| C. H. Flanders, | 6 52 |
| M. L. Flanders, | 5 32 |
| A. B. Flanders, | 3 15 |
| O. D. Glidden, | 15 00 |
| L. E. Avery, | 16 28 |
| Chas. Clough, | 9 60 |
| H. A. Flanders, | 8 48 |
| C. S. Glidden, | 16 91 |
| Geo. R. Prescott, | 8 40 |
| Serene G. Flanders, | 3 53 |
| John Leavitt, | 1 50 |
| Fred S. Gilman, | 24 85 |
| Al T. Gilman, | 29 27 |
| Aaron W. Young, | 4 20 |
| Albert Ellis, | 1 35 |
| John Tardif, | 1 47 |
| Fred W. Davis, | 4 58 |
| John G. Gerrish, | 3 75 |
| Fred Nutter, | 45 |
| Clarence Andrews, | 80 |
| J. B. Woodman, | 10 20 |
| S. O. Wallingford, | 83 |
| A. B. Lang, | 17 13 |

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| James W. Goodell, | \$37 51 |
| Dana Bradley, | 8 85 |
| John Crockett, | 7 80 |
| Mary C. York, | 15 75 |
| A. J. Pinkham, | 8 10 |
| Arthur Smith, | 3 45 |
| Chas. F. Rand, | 7 31 |
| Geo. W. Horne, | 7 46 |
| Chas. E. Nutter, | 3 00 |
| Elmer Watson, | 75 |
| Ernest Wells, | 1 95 |
| E. O. Prescott, | 6 20 |
| Chas. H. Tebbitts, | 1 50 |
| Wm. R. Clough, | 2 70 |
| Eugene Goodwin, | 45 |
| Geo. H. Straw, | 1 80 |
| Lewis A. Proctor, | 11 85 |
| D. H. Morrison, | 12 45 |
| Harry Morrison, | 6 00 |
| J. W. Howard, | 13 73 |
| Seth H. Kimball, | 7 13 |
| Geo. W. Morrison, | 8 75 |
| Jacob Evans, | 13 05 |
| Charles W. Evans, | 10 00 |
| John F. Hanson, | 3 70 |
| Eben Hanson, | 1 50 |
| H. A. Garland, | 3 61 |
| S. B. Huckins, | 9 50 |
| C. I. Chamberlin, | 8 45 |
| B. F. Furber, | 2 70 |
| Velzora A. Dealand, | 7 80 |
| J. E. Berry, | 75 |
| W. H. Berry, | 6 70 |
| J. A. Mooney, | 1 10 |

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| Ira B. Bennett, | \$ 75 |
| A. H. Hayes, | 25 |
| Thiron Ham, | 25 |
| Geo. E. Nute, | 75 |
| Herbert I. Ricker, | 2 50 |
| C. G. Drew, | 3 64 |
| John J. Nutter, | 1 50 |
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| | \$1,067 34 |

ABSTRACT OF RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS.

RECEIPTS.

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|---------------------------------|-------------|
| Cash on hand Feb. 15, 1901, | \$ 865, 32 |
| Total receipts during the year, | 16,682 27 |
| | <hr/> |
| | \$17,547 59 |

DISBURSEMENTS.

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| Total disbursements during the year, | \$15,821 03 |
| Cash on hand Feb. 15, 1902, | 1,726 56 |
| | <hr/> |
| | \$17,547 59 |

DEBT.

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|-------------------------------|-------------|
| Liabilities Feb. 15, 1901, | \$18,942 93 |
| Assets Feb. 15, 1901, | 3,318 44 |
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| Debt of town Feb. 15, 1901, | \$15,624 49 |
| Liabilities Feb. 15, 1902, | \$18,328 67 |
| Assets, Feb. 15, 1902, | 4,324 87 |
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| Debt of town Feb. 15, 1902, | \$14,003 80 |
| Decrease of debt during year, | \$1,620 69 |

RECEIPTS.

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|---|-----------|
| Cash on hand Feb. 15, 1901, | \$ 865 32 |
| Taxes received from collectors, | 13,327 80 |
| Savings bank tax, | 664 90 |
| Railroad tax, | 847 75 |
| Literary fund, | 124 44 |
| School district fund, | 300 00 |
| Belknap County, for support of paupers, | 555 06 |
| Dog licenses, | 207 18 |
| Town notes, | 400 00 |
| Carrie B. Nute fund, | 150 00 |
| Miscellaneous items, | 105 14 |

\$17,547 59

DISBURSEMENTS.

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|-------------------------|-----------|
| County paupers, | \$ 246 63 |
| Town paupers, | 25 95 |
| Town officers, | 472 20 |
| Highways, summer work, | 2,854 13 |
| Highways, winter work, | 1,067 34 |
| Damage by dogs, | 66 00 |
| Supplies for schools, | 203 14 |
| Support of schools, | 3,398 10 |
| State tax, | 1,139 00 |
| County tax, | 1,926 20 |
| Firemen's tax, | 75 25 |
| Memorial appropriation, | 25 00 |
| Town notes, | 1,565 18 |
| Interest on notes, | 111 76 |
| Abatements for 1900, | 35 27 |
| Abatements for 1901, | 45 64 |

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| Dependent soldiers' families, | \$ 237 25 |
| Miscellaneous bills, | 2,326 99 |
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| | \$15,821 03 |
| Excess of receipts over disbursements, | 1,726 56 |
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| | \$17,547 59 |

ASSETS.

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| Cash on hand Feb. 15, 1902, | \$1,726 56 |
| 1897 taxes uncollected in hand of collector Feb. 15, 1902, | 1,587 72 |
| 1901 taxes uncollected in hands of collector Feb. 15, 1902, | 977 09 |
| Due from Belknap county, | 33 50 |
| | <hr/> |
| | \$4,324 87 |

LIABILITIES.

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|---------------------------------|-------------|
| Due sundry parties on notes, | \$17,915 40 |
| Due schools, literary fund, | 124 44 |
| Due schools, balance dog money, | 138 83 |
| Carrie B. Nute fund, | 150 00 |
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| | \$18,328 67 |
| Indebtedness of town, | 14,003 80 |

DOG LICENSES.

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| Cash received for dog licenses, | \$207 18 |
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PAYMENTS.

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|------------------------|----------|----------|
| Damage by dogs, | \$ 66 00 | |
| Expense of collecting, | 2 35 | |
| Balance due schools, | 138 83 | |
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| | | \$207 18 |

The foregoing report contains a synopsis of our financial transactions the past official year, which we respectfully submit to the inhabitants of Alton.

The expense of repairing the highways exceeds the tax by the sum of \$500.90. The heavy rains caused our highways to wash very bad. A new iron bridge has been put in place at Woodman's mills the past season.

You will notice that our Railroad tax has been increased this year by \$168.55, which was derived from the taxing of the Lake Shore R. R. this year, this being the first year it was taxable.

The past year has been rather a hard year as many of our people moved away, which reduced our taxes somewhat, nevertheless we have succeeded in reducing our debt the amount of \$1,620.69.

Seems to us with the same amounts raised and the return of business, which promises to far exceed our former shoe industry, we ought to still continue to reduce our indebtedness in the years to come. Our large bridges are now all iron and in good repair.

We are pleased to call your attention to the Carrie B. Nute fund received the past year, under the new law allowing towns to receive trust funds for the care of cemetery lots, which we

think is a move in the right direction, to perpetuate the care of lots in cemeteries.

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| HERBERT J. JONES, | } | Selectmen |
| LEWIS H. LAMPREY, | | of |
| JOHN W. PROCTOR, | | Alton. |

We, the undersigned, having examined the foregoing account find it properly vouched and correctly cast.

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| WILLIS P. EMERSON, | } | Auditors. |
| CHARLES H. DOWNING, | | |

Alton, N. H., Feb. 15, 1902.

Treasurer's Report.

1901.

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| Mar. 4, | Balance cash in treasury, | \$ 865 32 |
| | Received of A. B. Flanders, collector, 1898, | 21 00 |
| 16, | " H. J. Jones, selectman, | 132 68 |
| Apr. 27, | " C. H. McDuffee, collector, 1900, | 200 00 |
| May 21, | " " " " " | 100 00 |
| 25, | " " " " " | 100 00 |
| June 7, | " A. B. Currier, dog license, | 70 80 |
| 20, | " H. J. Jones, selectman, | 561 27 |
| Aug. 13, | " C. H. McDuffee, collector, | 800 00 |
| 16, | " H. J. Jones, selectman, | 150 00 |
| 19, | " C. H. McDuffee, collector, | 250 00 |
| 31, | " " " " " | 400 00 |
| Sept. 18, | " H. J. Jones, selectman, | 154 45 |
| 21, | " C. H. McDuffee, collector, | 350 00 |
| Oct. 23, | " A. B. Currier, dog license, | 109 78 |
| | " A. B. Flanders, collector, 1898, | 20 00 |
| Dec. 4, | " C. H. McDuffee, collector, | 900 00 |
| | " H. J. Jones, selectman, | 32 19 |
| 5, | " C. H. McDuffee, collector, | 3,800 00 |
| 12, | " " " " for 1900, | 15 75 |
| | " " " " int. " | 34 92 |
| 14, | " H. J. Jones, railroad tax, | 847 75 |
| | " " " selectman, savings | |
| | bank tax, | 664 90 |
| | Received of J. H. Jones, selectman, literary | |
| | fund, | 124 44 |

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| Dec. 14, | Received of H. J. Jones, selectman, school fund, | \$ 300 00 |
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1902.

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| Jan. 30, | Received of H. J. Jones, selectman, | 144 69 |
| Feb. 12, | " A. B. Flanders, collector, 1898. | 15 78 |
| 13, | " C. H. McDuffee, collector, | 2,100 00 |
| 14, | " A. B. Currier, dog license, | 26 60 |

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| Cash received, | \$13,292 32 |
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CASH PAID OUT, AS PER ORDERS.

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| Mar. 16, | Paid C. H. Davis, per order, | \$ 6 50 |
| | C. H. Thomas, | 43 50 |
| | Clarence Horne, | 1 00 |
| | Frank R. Wadleigh, | 886 00 |
| 25, | F. W. Muzzey, | 7 00 |
| 30, | Joseph D. Wilder, | 7 00 |
| Apr. 6, | C. A. Bennett, | 3 82 |
| 15, | Cora B. King, | 8 00 |
| 18, | E. R. Wright, | 2 75 |
| 25, | Mary A. C. Evans, | 15 00 |
| May 6, | George H. Demeritt, | 190 40 |
| 9, | Cora B. King, | 8 00 |
| | Jonathan F. Smith, | 3 50 |
| | George E. Nute, | 3 75 |
| | E. R. Wright, | 11 00 |
| 19, | Oscar E. Davis, | 7 00 |
| | James W. Goodell, | 13 00 |
| 21, | Ida E. Wells, | 3 00 |
| | Frank W. Gray, | 4 61 |
| 22, | John H. Evans, | 16 00 |
| 23, | Cora B. King, | 8 00 |
| | William Morrill, | 12 00 |

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| May | 23, | Paid J. Jones & Son, | \$ 31 49 |
| | 25, | The Downing Co., | 26 00 |
| June | 4, | C. E. Fifield, | 25 00 |
| | 12, | Cora B. King, | 8 00 |
| | 20, | Demeritt, Varney & Doane, | 8 88 |
| | | Frank M. Ayer, | 17 63 |
| July | 4, | Jones & Lamprey, | 2 52 |
| | | Abbie M. Dore, | 3 00 |
| | | C. H. McDuffee, | 600 00 |
| | 9, | G. W. Place, | 11 38 |
| Aug. | 6, | Sadie Currier, | 15 00 |
| | | C. H. McDuffee, | 146 36 |
| | 16, | Cora B. King, | 8 00 |
| | 20, | S. B. Cole, county treasurer, per rect., | 963 10 |
| | 22, | James W. Goodell, per order, | 2 50 |
| | | Cora B. King, | 8 00 |
| Sept. | 13, | Alma E. Bennett, | 30 00 |
| | 18, | L. M. & H. L. Pike, | 17 14 |
| | | Etta M. Hayes, | 33 00 |
| | | The Downing Co., | 34 00 |
| | | J. Jones & Son, | 31 95 |
| | | Cora B. King, | 8 00 |
| | | W. P. Emerson, | 18 00 |
| Oct. | 3, | Mary A. C. Evans, | 507 58 |
| | | The Downing Co., | 130 70 |
| | 8, | G. W. Place, | 50 00 |
| Nov. | 7, | Sadie A. Currier, | 15 00 |
| | 15, | Henry Emerson, | 13 50 |
| Dec. | 4, | Cora B. King, | 8 00 |
| | | Cora B. King, | 8 00 |
| | | L. B. Place, | 29 74 |
| | | J. Jones & Son, | 116 37 |
| | | Alton & Alton Bay Water Co., | 500 00 |
| | | Etta M. Hayes, | 10 50 |

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| Dec. | 4, | Paid Paul E. Buckley, | \$ 21 03 |
| | | John W. Evans, | 1 00 |
| | 5, | C. H. Downing & Co., | 14 81 |
| | | Willie E. Sanborn, | 19 50 |
| | | C. H. McDuffee, | 1,500 00 |
| | | P. H. Wheeler, | 24 75 |
| | 6, | S. B. Cole, county treas., per receipt, | 963 10 |
| | 13, | E. R. Wright, per order, | 4 25 |
| | 14, | Solon A. Carter, state treas., per receipt, | 1,139 00 |
| | 28, | Cora B. King, per order, | 8 00 |
| | | Stephen Shagnon, | 6 00 |
| | | Dr. John Young, | 1 25 |
| | | Thomas Nute, | 9 00 |
| | | The Downing Co., | 30 00 |
| | | Marilla Straw, | 3 00 |
| | | John C. Young, | 27 00 |
| | 31, | Samuel Kelley, | 150 00 |
| 1902. | | | |
| Jan. | 3, | Paid S. W. Brown, | 2 90 |
| | | P. H. Wheeler, | 14 50 |
| | 30, | Cora B. King, | 8 00 |
| | | J. Jones & Son, | 29 16 |
| Feb. | 13, | Lewis P. Varney, | 10 00 |
| | | W. P. Emerson, | 27 00 |
| | | C. E. Hodgdon, | 12 00 |
| | | Forrest H. Rollins, | 9 00 |
| | | John W. Proctor, | 4 00 |
| | | Jones & Lamprey, | 6 16 |
| | | Emily O. Emerson, | 238 44 |
| | | C. H. McDuffee, | 10 00 |
| | | " " | 1,298 10 |
| | | Peterson & McDuffee, | 2 00 |
| | | H. J. Jones, | 100 00 |
| | | C. B. King, | 8 00 |

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| Feb. 13, Paid D. Morrison, | \$ 3 00 |
| A. P. Horne, | 4 00 |
| Alton & Alton Bay Water Co., | 299 00 |
| C. H. McDuffee, | 44 18 |
| “ “ | 12 60 |
| H. J. Jones, selectman, | 109 40 |
| L. H. Lamprey, | 60 00 |
| J. W. Proctor, | 54 00 |
| A. S. French, | 50 00 |
| Wm. H. Morrill, | 21 00 |
| C. L. Pinkham, | 5 00 |
| 15, L. G. Welsh, | 15 00 |
| G. W. Place, | 15 00 |
| “ “ | 54 25 |
| S. C. Wentworth, | 15 80 |
| Waldo C. Varney, | 10 00 |
| A. B. Currier, | 67 70 |
| O. Duncan, | 4 85 |
| G. B. Sampson, | 36 00 |
| A. W. Young, | 12 00 |
| J. W. Howard, | 3 00 |
| Frank Gilson, | 9 35 |
| Hose Co. No. 2, | 39 25 |
| W. P. Emerson, | 4 00 |
| E. H. Rollins, | 150 26 |
| C. H. McDuffee, | 25 00 |
| C. H. Downing, | 20 00 |
| Velzora A. Dealand, | 20 00 |
| C. H. Downing, | 2 00 |
| Cash paid out, | \$11,565 76 |
| Balance, in treasury, | 1,726 56 |
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| | \$13,292 32 |

ALONZO S. FRENCH, Treasurer.

We, the undersigned, having examined the foregoing account find it properly vouched and correctly cast.

WILLIS P. EMERSON,
CHARLES H. DOWNING, } Auditors.

Alton, N. H., Feb. 15, 1902.

School Report.

The School Board respectfully submit for your consideration their sixteenth annual report.

The Supervisory District of Alton, Durham and Newmarket is being maintained for another year, with satisfactory results, under the supervision of George H. Whitcher.

At the village a high school has been recognized by Channing Folsom, State Superintendent of Public Instruction. This necessitates, if it be perpetuated, the continuance of our Supervisory District as well as the winter term of the high school. Should either of these be dispensed with, the school would very materially suffer, hence we urge their continuance.

Pupils attending the high school from the surrounding towns have their tuitions paid by their respective towns.

The balance in the treasurer's hands includes six months salary to the superintendent, and also the amount raised for the support of an extra winter term of school at the village.

The annual school meeting will be held in the town hall, at 2 p. m., on Saturday, March 15, 1902.

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| C. H. McDUFFEE, | } | School Board of Milton. |
| V. A. DEALAND, | | |
| C. H. DOWNING, | | |

| SCHOOL. | TERM. | WEEKS. | TEACHERS. | Whole No. of Pupils. | Average Attendance. |
|-------------------|--------|--------|--|----------------------|---------------------|
| *High and Grammar | Spring | 11 | { Isaac Copp Nora E. Meserve } | 59 | 48 |
| | Fall | 16 | { Isaac Copp Nora E. Meserve } | | |
| Primary | Spring | 11 | Gertrude M. Webster | 28 | 22 |
| | Fall | 16 | { Kathrina E. Spencer Alta H. McDuffee Phoebe E. Stone } | | |
| Bay | Spring | 11 | Grace George | 20 | 15 |
| | Fall | 15 | " | | |
| McDuffee | Spring | 11 | Emie O. Davis | 14 | 12 |
| | Fall | 16 | " | 14 | 10 |
| Gilman's Corner | Spring | 10 | Albertha B. Pierce | 5 | 3 |
| | Fall | 16 | " | | |
| Loon Cove | Spring | 10 | Florence M. Gilmore | 6 | 5 |
| | Fall | 16 | " | | |
| Mountain | Spring | 10 | { Annie M. Kimball Emma C. Varney } | 20 | 12 |
| | Fall | 17 | Mary E. Page | | |
| West Alton | Spring | 11 | Rosa M. Sanders | 7 | 4 |
| | Fall | 16 | " | | |
| Gore | Spring | 11 | Sherman E. Phillips | 7 | 2 |
| | Fall | 15 | { W. E. Carlton Gertrude M. Glidden } | | |
| Clough | Spring | 11 | Grace M. Higgins | 18 | 14 |
| | Fall | 12 | " | | |

*A ten weeks' term of the High and Grammar school is in progress.

RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURES FOR 1901.

RECEIPTS.

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| Balance in hands of district treasurer | |
| Feb. 15, 1901, | \$ 546 75 |
| Raised by tax for support of schools, | 2,135 75 |
| Literary fund, | 125 25 |
| Dog tax and license, | 137 10 |
| Railroad tax, | 100 00 |
| For high school, | 300 00 |
| For superintendent (town), | 300 00 |
| " " state, | 300 00 |
| Tuition from Albion Foss, | 8 00 |
| " " George Hall, | 5 00 |
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| | \$3,957 85 |

EXPENSES.

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| Paid teachers' salaries including board, | \$2,325 70 |
| Fuel and fitting same, | 87 87 |
| Repairs and miscellaneous expenses, | 167 62 |
| G. H. Witcher, | 500 01 |
| Balance in hands of treasurer, | 876 65 |
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| | \$3,957 85 |

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| C. H. McDUFFEE, | } School Board |
| V. A. DEALAND, | |
| C. H. DOWNING, | |
| | of |
| | Alton. |

We, the undersigned, having examined the foregoing account find it properly vouched and correctly cast.

WILLIS P. EMERSON, Auditor.

Alton, N. H., Feb. 15, 1902.

School District Treasurer's Report.

CASH RECEIVED.

1901.

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| Feb. 15, | Balance in treasury, | \$ 546 75 |
| | Received of Albion Foss, tuition, | 8 00 |
| Apr. 22, | “ George Hall, “ | 5 00 |
| July 5, | “ A. S. French, treasurer, | 600 00 |
| Dec. 5, | “ “ “ “ | 1,500 00 |

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| Feb. 13, | Received of A. S. French, treasurer, | 1,298 10 |
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CASH PAID OUT.

1901.

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| Mar. 23, | Paid Isaac Copp, | \$ 74 00 |
| | Lydia B. Rounds, | 72 50 |
| Apr. 20, | Ernest A. Hurd, | 1 25 |
| | New Durham School District, | 27 00 |
| 25, | Geo. H. Whitcher, | 66 67 |
| May 3, | Isaac Copp, | 39 00 |
| | Arthur Glidden, | 2 50 |
| 27, | Annie M. Kimball, | 32 50 |
| June 4, | George H. Whitcher, | 66 67 |
| 5, | Isaac Copp, | 52 00 |
| 21, | Albertha B. Pierce, | 60 00 |
| | Sherman E. Phillips, | 65 00 |
| 22, | Florence M. Gilmore, | 60 00 |
| 27, | Mrs. George Clough, | 2 30 |
| 28, | Grace George, | 88 00 |

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| June 28, | Paid Isaac Copp, | \$ 52 00 |
| | Grace M. Higgins, | 71 00 |
| | Emie O. Davis, | 68 00 |
| | Nora E. Meserve, | 93 50 |
| 29, | Gertrude M. Webster, | 93 50 |
| July 2, | Rosa M. Sanders, | 66 00 |
| 3, | Fred S. Gilmau, | 5 00 |
| 6, | Emma C. Varney, | 32 50 |
| 22, | Harrison B. Ricker, | 7 50 |
| Aug. 5, | George H. Whitcher, | 66 67 |
| | H. O. Tuttle, | 3 00 |
| 31, | T. H. Pinkham, | 1 00 |
| Sept. 13, | David E. Clough, | 7 95 |
| 21, | Mrs. Charles H. Jones, | 4 00 |
| 28, | George H. Whitcher, | 100 00 |
| | Albertha B. Pierce, | 10 00 |
| Oct. 4, | Isaac Copp, | 60 00 |
| 12, | Frank H. Furber, | 3 00 |
| Nov. 1, | Isaac Copp, | 60 00 |
| | W. E. Carlton, | 48 00 |
| 2, | Grace M. Higgins, | 40 00 |
| 6, | Sheldon H. Glidden, | 50 |
| | Katharine E. Spencer, | 50 00 |
| 14, | George H. Whitcher, | 50 00 |
| 15, | Edward S. Walker, | 20 50 |
| 16, | Mrs. Lizzie Davis, | 2 00 |
| 22, | Isaac Copp, | 45 00 |
| 23, | Grace George, | 88 00 |
| | Emie O. Davis, | 50 00 |
| 26, | Albertha B. Pierce, | 25 00 |
| | Willie R. Varney, | 19 50 |
| 27, | Robert A. Frohock, | 4 50 |
| | Grace M. Higgins, | 38 00 |
| | Jonathan L. Rollins, | 2 00 |

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| Nov. 30, | Charles H. Jones, | \$ 4 50 |
| Dec. 2, | Charles L. Pinkham, | 5 75 |
| | George H. Fifield, | 1 00 |
| 7, | Abbie B. Blaisdell, | 6 00 |
| | Edwin O. Prescott, | 9 25 |
| 10, | Katharine E. Spencer, | 18 00 |
| | Alta H. McDuffee, | 11 20 |
| 20, | Isaac Copp, | 45 00 |
| | Grace George, | 32 00 |
| | Nora E. Meserve, | 126 00 |
| 21, | Albertha B. Pierce, | 59 00 |
| | American Express Co., | 2 23 |
| 23, | Mrs. O. D. Glidden, | 2 50 |
| | Florence M. Gilmore, | 96 00 |
| 27, | George H. Witcher, | 100 00 |
| | F. H. Emerson, | 75 |
| 1902. | | |
| Jan. 2, | Paid Frank D. Morse, | 7 25 |
| 6, | Gertrude B. Glidden, | 42 00 |
| | Emie O. Davis, | 54 00 |
| | Laconia Lumber Works, | 2 70 |
| 12, | Jonathan Rollins, | 2 00 |
| 14, | Elizabeth M. Page, | 102 00 |
| 16, | Phœbe E. Stone, | 51 00 |
| 17, | Rosa M. Sanders, | 96 00 |
| 24, | Isaac Copp, | 60 00 |
| | Harrison B. Ricker, | 11 00 |
| Feb. 10, | G. W. Place, | 31 75 |
| 12, | Gilmanton School District, | 15 00 |
| 13, | The J. H. Downing Co., | 6 16 |
| | Seth E. Rollins, | 4 49 |
| | Demeritt, Varney & Doane, | 2 33 |
| | C. H. McDuffee, | 1 48 |
| | Jones & Lamprey, | 6 36 |

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| Feb. 14, Paid J. Jones & Son, | \$ 6 01 |
| F. L. Gilman, | 1 88 |
| 14, George H. Whitcher, | 50 00 |
| John M. Bennett, | 2 60 |
| 15, Edward S. Walker, | 9 00 |
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| Cash received, | \$3,957 85 |
| Cash paid out, | 3,081 20 |
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| Balance in treasury, | \$876 65 |

C. H. McDUFFEE, Treasurer.

We, the undersigned, having examined the foregoing account find it properly vouched and correctly cast.

WILLIS P. EMERSON, Auditor.

Alton, N. H., Feb. 15, 1902.

Report of Superintendent.

TO THE SCHOOL BOARD :

Gentlemen :—The following report is submitted for your consideration. During the year just passed the school work in Alton has moved with unusual freedom from friction and the progress that is evident all along the line is exceedingly gratifying. I do not mean by this that the schools are satisfactory or that there is no room for improvement, but I do mean that there has been very marked progress.

The one feature of the work that especially pleases me is that in the outside schools ; more progress has been observed there, because there was greater need and opportunity, and if we can keep these small schools up to their present efficiency in general and make gains in the weak spots now seen, there will be a most decided advantage result to the town as a whole, for it is in these small scattered schools that your Board has, in the past, found the greatest difficulties, and it is precisely in schools of this kind that every Superintendent finds his most insurmountable obstacles. The high school needs your careful consideration next year, if you are to keep it on the "Approved List," and thereby save to the town a considerable sum of money that will otherwise have to be paid in tuitions for high school scholars who may go elsewhere. It will be necessary to have an assistant teacher, and it may also be necessary to devise a way by which the lower school room may be divided into two rooms, so that the sixth, seventh and eighth grades may be taken from the up-stairs room to afford room and facilities for

this high school work. This would not be an expensive matter and it ought to be put in a way to be brought about if necessary.

The village schools have been doing good work and the methods employed have been gradually improved so that the scholars are doing more *thinking for themselves*, and are growing less dependent upon teachers. This tendency needs to be strengthened as it undoubtedly will be.

The matter of controlling and economizing in the use of books and supplies has been taken up, and today the whereabouts of practically every book is known and the supplies used by each school is also a known factor. This has materially reduced this expense, although it is not possible to show exactly how much, owing to the fact that the school year and the fiscal year do not cover the same periods.

During the year I have made one hundred and forty-six school visits and have held two teachers' meetings and gave a public teachers' examination as required to do by law.

Respectfully submitted,

GEORGE H. WHITCHER, Superintendent.

Library Report.

To the selectmen and citizens of Alton, your library trustees respectfully submit the following report :

DR.

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| To cash on hand Feb. 15, 1901, | \$ 1 68 | |
| To cash received for the year, | 190 40 | |
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| By cash paid Jordan, Marsh & Co., for books, | \$108 27 | |
| “ for magazines, | 10 60 | |
| “ for expenses to Boston, | 10 55 | |
| “ George E. Neal, for binding books, | 14 19 | |
| “ for freight on books to be rebound, | 50 | |
| “ for book cases, | 39 00 | |
| “ for freight on books, | 29 | |
| “ for express, | 30 | |
| “ for paper cutter, | 25 | |
| “ for pencils, | 35 | |
| “ for stickers, | 1 00 | |
| By balance on hand Feb. 15, 1902, | 6 78 | |
| | <hr/> | \$192 08 |

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| Number of books in library, | 1,659 |
| Number of reference books, | 250 |
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| Total, | 1,909 |
| Number of books loaned during the year, | 3,467 |

We have taken for this year, for our reading tables, The Cosmopolitan, The Strand, Munsey's, Current Literature, McClures, Lippencott's and Ladies' Home Journal Magazines. .

We would suggest that an amount of money be raised so that a complete catalogue may be printed, after the books are bought for this year, so that you may know just what books are in the library.

Respectfully submitted,

GEORGE H. DEMERITT, }
OLIVER J. M. GILMAN, } Library Trustees.

